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**METHOD FOR OPERATING A TORQUE-
CONVERTER LOCKUP CLUTCH FOR
HYDRODYNAMIC TORQUE CONVERTER
AND CONTROL DEVICE FOR
IMPLEMENTING THE METHOD**

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Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interference from the decision of the Examiner made in the Final Office Action dated October 20, 2004, finally rejecting claims 1-31.

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